

COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

For the Agenda of:
May 23, 2006

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To: Board of Supervisors

By Cindy H. Turner
Clerk of the Board

From: Department of Regional Parks

Subject: County Of Sacramento To Support The Development Of The California Indian Heritage Center

Contact: Ron Suter, Director, 875-6132

Overview

The Department of Regional Parks, requests the Board's conceptual support for the development of a California Indian Heritage Center within the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area in the City of Sacramento, and within the lower reaches of the American River Parkway, consistent with the American River Parkway Plan. The Center will honor the diversity and history of the Indian tribes throughout the State of California.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento:

1. support the development of a California Indian Heritage Center within the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area in the City of Sacramento and within the lower reaches of the American River Parkway where facilities and programming can be accommodated in a naturalistic setting consistent with the American River Parkway Plan;
2. adopt the attached Resolution of Support.

Measures

Not applicable.

Fiscal Impact

A specific project cost estimates has not yet been determined. Development of the site would be funded by the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation through Proposition 40 funds and private partnership.

BACKGROUND

The California Indian Heritage Center is being developed in collaboration with the State of California and California Indian Tribes. The Center will honor the diversity and history of the tribes through contemporary activities and will promote research and education for those who use the Center, either on site or remotely. The Center will also house the state's extensive collection of Indian cultural objects.

The California Indian Heritage Center Task Force, in collaboration with the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation, solicited letters of interest from cities, counties, and other entities for potential sites suitable to develop the Center. The areas surrounding the Lower American River Parkway, both inside and outside of the levee, are possible sites in which to locate the Center.

The areas under consideration offer much Native American history and heritage with several archeological sites located along the river. Tribes such as the Miwok, Nisenan, and Maiduan have made their homes along the river.

The City of Sacramento by resolution has supported the location of the new California Indian Heritage Center within the City of Sacramento and directed staff to work with the State of California to identify possible sites for the Center.

DISCUSSION

The State of California Department of Parks and Recreation and the California Indian Heritage Center Task Force conducted a site search for the new California Indian Heritage Center. The new Center is envisioned to be a world class facility honoring the traditions and contemporary expressions of all California Indians. The development site under consideration is made up of a number of different parcels that are under the jurisdiction of multiple agencies, including land inside and outside of the American River Parkway which is managed by the County of Sacramento and land within the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area in the City of Sacramento. It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento supports the development of the California Indian Heritage Center within the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area in the City of Sacramento, and within the lower reaches of the American River Parkway where facilities and programming can be accommodated in a naturalistic setting, consistent with the American River Parkway Plan. It is also recommended that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento adopt the attached Resolution of Support.

MEASURES/EVALUATION

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS:

A specific project cost estimate has not yet been determined. Development of the site would be funded by the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation through Proposition 40 funds and private partnership.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:
TERRY SCHUTTEN
County Executive

RON SUTER, Director
Department of Regional Parks

By: _____
CHERYL CRESO, Administrator
Municipal Services Agency

Attachments:

Resolution

Exhibit A – County of Sacramento to Support the Development of The California Indian Heritage Center

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
CALIFORNIA INDIAN HERITAGE CENTER
WITHIN THE RICHARDS BOULEVARD REDEVELOPMENT AREA
WITHIN THE LOWER REACHES OF THE AMERICAN RIVER PARKWAY**

WHEREAS, in collaboration with the State of California and California Indian Tribes, a California Indian Heritage Center is being planned for the Sacramento Region along the levees of the American River Parkway. The Center will honor the diversity and history of the tribes through contemporary activities and will promote research and education for those who use the Center; and

WHEREAS, the development site under consideration is made up of a number of different parcels that are under the jurisdiction of multiple agencies, including land inside and outside of the American River Parkway (ARP) which is managed by the County of Sacramento (County), and land within the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area in the City of Sacramento (City); and

WHEREAS, the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA) has flood control interest of the land inside and outside of the ARP levees; and

WHEREAS, the State, the City, and SAFCA, support the recommendation of the development of the California Indian Heritage Center and express a willingness to cooperate in the development and operation of this Center; and

WHEREAS, there is a mutual desire to accommodate California Indian values, riparian habitat enhancement, improved recreational facilities, and riverfront developments consistent with the ARP Plan; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of the California Indian Heritage Center can enhance the restoration and public use of the ARP, encourage high quality development in the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area in the City of Sacramento, and contribute to a rich and diverse cultural life in the Capitol region; and

WHEREAS, the City, SAFCA, and the County wish to honor the California Indian people who lived near the confluence of the American River and Sacramento River since ancient times, by supporting their continued presence and participation in community life in the Two Rivers area; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento support the development of the California Indian Heritage Center within the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area in the City of Sacramento, and within the lower reaches of the American River Parkway where facilities and programming can be accommodated in a naturalistic setting consistent with the American River Parkway Plan.

On a motion by Supervisor Dickinson, seconded by Supervisor Nottoli, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento this 23rd day of May, 2006, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors, Dickinson, Nottoli, MacGlashan
NOES: Supervisors, None
ABSENT: Supervisors, Collin, Peters
ABSTAIN: Supervisors, None

Roberta MacGlashan

Chair of the Board of Supervisors
of Sacramento County, California



ATTEST:

Cindy H. Turner
Clerk, Board of Supervisors

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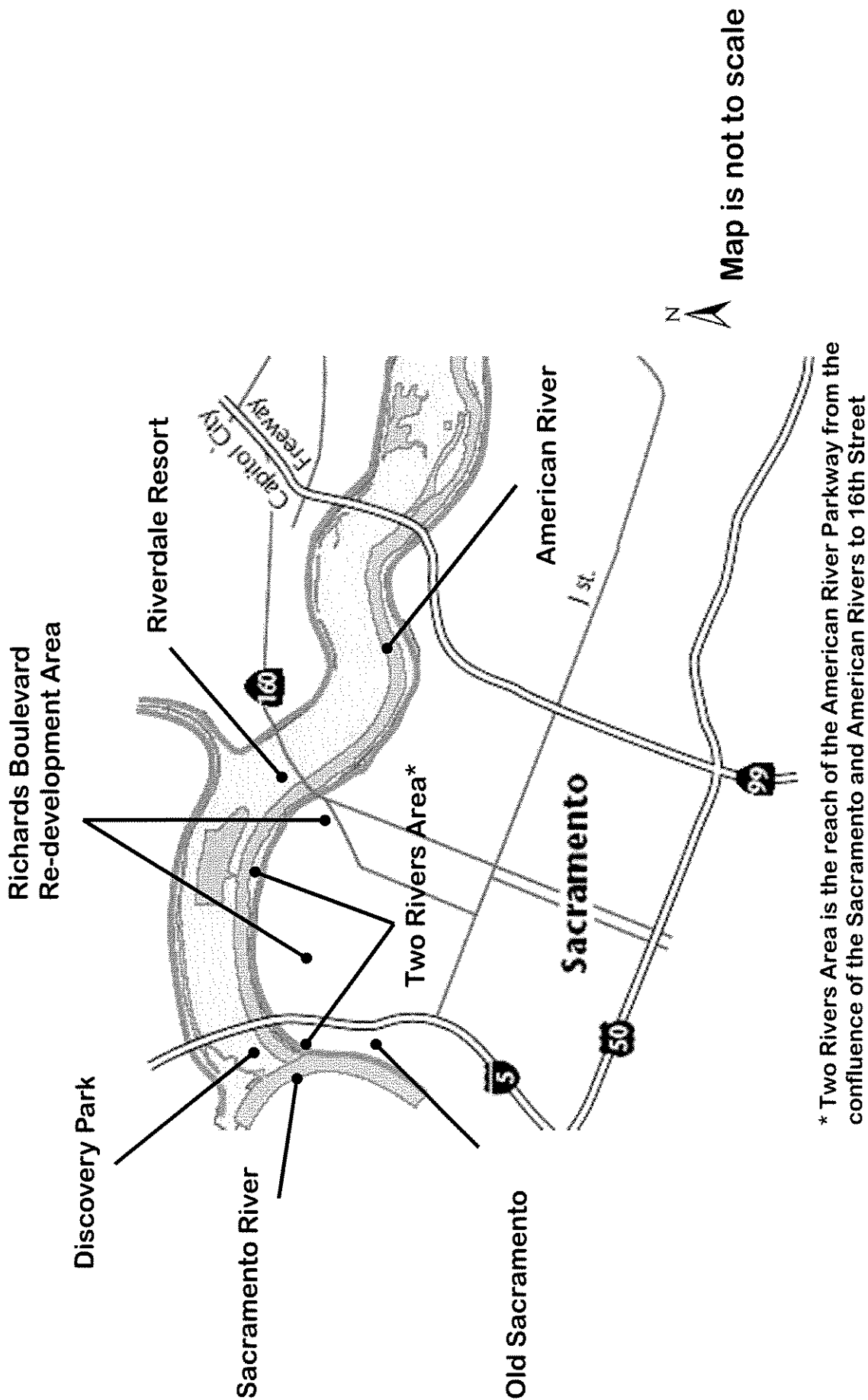
By *Cindy H. Turner*
Deputy Clerk, Board of Supervisors

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BY *Cindy H. Turner*
CLERK OF THE BOARD

Exhibit A: County of Sacramento To Support The Development Of
The California Indian Heritage Center



* Two Rivers Area is the reach of the American River Parkway from the
confluence of the Sacramento and American Rivers to 16th Street